

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Claims 1-31 (canceled)

Claim 32 (currently amended) An alignable label system ~~form~~ two dimensional alignment with ~~for a folder having a first linear edge and a second~~ with an edge having a curvature, comprising:
a die cut label sheet having a central split line, said label sheet being die cut along a line separating a label from a discardable portion;
a backing member applied to the label and having a split line;
an alignment section on said discardable portion ~~surrounding at least part of the label and separable therefrom,~~ the alignment section separable from the label, and including an edge shaped generally to conform to the curved edge of the folder;
wherein when one portion of the backing member is removed, one half of the label is exposed along with the ~~shaped~~ curved edge so that the label may be maintained in alignment with the folder by engagement of the ~~shaped~~ curved section of the discardable part with the curved edge of the folder and alignment of the label with the linear edge of the folder, while the exposed side of the label is affixed to the folder.

Claim 33 (currently amended) The label form of claim 32, wherein the ~~shaped section~~ curved edge is proximate at least one end of the label.

Claim 34 (currently amended) A method of reliably aligning and applying a label ~~form~~ to the edge of a folder, the folder having a linear edge and a curved edge, the label being removably affixed to a label backing sheet and also having ~~form having a label and an~~ separable alignment section surrounding at least part of the label, comprising:

- a. removing a portion of the backing member from the label by separating the backing member sheet along a split line;
- b. simultaneously aligning the linear and curved edges ~~a shaped edge~~ of the alignment section to ~~a like edges~~ of the folder;
- c. applying the label to the ~~edge of the folder~~;
- d. peeling off the remaining backing member along the split line; and
- e. folding the label over the edge of the folder.

Claim 35 (previously presented) The method of claim 34, wherein the label includes a top side adapted for being printed on.

Claim 36 (currently amended) The method of claim 34, wherein the ~~shaped~~ curved edge is "S"-shaped.

Claim 37 (currently amended) The label form of claim 32, wherein the ~~shaped section~~ curved edge is "S"-shaped.

Claim 38 (new) A label system for accurate alignment of a label on a folder before affixation, the folder having a linear edge and a curved edge, the system comprising:

- a. a label sheet having a base backing member with a split line,
 - b. a label on said backing member;
 - c. a discardable portion on said backing member, said label sheet being die cut along a line separating the label from the discardable portion;
 - d. an alignment section on said discardable portion shaped to generally to conform to the curved edge of the folder;
- so that, when a portion of the backing member is removed, at least part of the label and discardable portion are exposed and positionable along the linear and curved edges, so that the label may be reliably maintained in registration with linear and curved edges of the folder before it is affixed to the folder.

39. (new) The system of claim 38 wherein said curved portion on said discardable portion is spaced from said label, so that said label may be affixed to the folder distant from the curved portion of thereof.

40. (new) The system of claim 38 wherein said label is adhesive on the surface contacting the backing member.

41. (new) The system of claim 38, wherein said label sheet includes a plurality of labels and discardable portions, with die cut lines therebetween.

42 (new) The system of claim 38 wherein said die cut separates the discardable portion into first and second parts, and wherein the die cut, at least in part, follows a curve which is substantially the same as the folder's curved edge/

43. (new) The method claim 34 wherein the step of removing a portion of the backing member from the label by separating the backing sheet along a split line includes removing a portion of the discardable portion together with the backing member from the label by separating the backing sheet along a split line.